Enployment of workers in subsidiaries of Coal India Ltd.

2271. SHRI GAYA SINGH: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) number of workers retired from the different subsidiaries of Coal India Ltd. during the last two years;

(b) number of workers employed as permanent, temporary and on casual bails during the last two years; and

(c) the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRIMATI KANTI SINGH): (a) to (c) Company-wise details of retirements and fresh employments during the last two years is given below. Fresh employments include employments offered to land losers, employment under National Coal Wage Agreement and direct recruitment from outside. All employments offered are in permanent category.

	No. of workers retired		No. of fresh employment during	
Company	1995	1996	1995	1996
ECL	2428	2618	1731	2598
BCCL	2385	2524	1981	1637
CCL	664	812	1317	1114
WCL	303	379	1069	1350
SECL	537	654	2076	2529
NCL	37	61	526	554
MCL	89	159	103	224
NEC	115	49	87	51
CMPDI	40	48	15	11
DCC	—	—	2	—
CIL(HQ)	21	21	4	—
TOTAL	6619	7325	8911	10068

Guidelines for allocating coal mines to Private Sector

2272. DR. D. VENKATESHWAR RAO: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) the guidelines laid down for allocating the coal mines to private sectois; and

(b) the steps proposed to ensure that profit making coal mines are not given on lease to private sectors?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRIMATI KANTI SINGH): (a) After the CeaJ Mines (Nationalisation) Act, 1973 was amended in June 1993, the Government have formulated the following guidelines for offer of coal blocks to Indian companies in the public and private sectors for captive consumption only:—

(i) Preferably blocks in green field areas where basic infrastructure like rail or road links is yet to be developed should be offered;

(ii) The areas where Coal India Limited (CIL) has already invested in creating such infrastructure for opening new mines should not be offered;

(iii) The blocks offered should be at reasonable distance from existing mines sad projects of CIL;